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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION

MONTANA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, ET. AL.,

PLAINTIFFS,

AND

MONTANA NURSES ASSOCIATION,

PLAINTIFF-INTERVENORS,

V.

AUSTIN KNUDSEN, ET AL.,

DEFENDANTS.

CV-21-108-M-DWM

DEFENDANTS' REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED RULING ON THEIR MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION Defendants respectfully request an expedited ruling on their pending Motion for Clarification of the Preliminary Injunction, filed on April 11, 2022. *See* Doc. 54; Doc. 55. Defendants specifically request that the Court issue a ruling by Friday April 29, 2022.

As discussed in Defendants' Motion for Clarification and Brief in Support, at least one health care provider in Montana is requiring employees to receive a COVID-19 booster dose by Monday May 1, 2022. See Doc. 55 at 2; Doc. 56 (Benefis Memo). Defendants believe this violates MCA § 49-2-312 and is not covered by the Court's March 18 Preliminary Injunction Order because the CMS Rule, by its plain terms, only requires staff to receive the primary COVID-19 vaccination series. See Doc. 55 at 3–5. Defendants, thus, believe it is imperative that the Court provide clarity prior to May 1, 2022, so that covered health care employees protected by MCA § 49-2-312 do not suffer irreparable harm.\frac{1}{2} DATED this 11th day of April, 2022.

Respectfully submitted.

<u>/s/ Christian Corrigan</u> Christian B. Corrigan

<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs-Intervenors oppose Defendants' Motion for Clarification. Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(d)(1)(b)(II), Plaintiffs' Response to Defendants' Motion for Clarification is currently due on April 25, 2022.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on this date, an accurate copy of the foregoing document was served electronically through the Court's CM/ECF system on registered counsel.

Dated: April 11, 2022 /s/ Christian Corrigan
CHRISTIAN CORRIGAN